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## It is a Land of Lava and of Rich Soil and of Strange Legends and of Very Many Marvelous Things.

By Sol. N. Sheridan.

From Hilo, through Puna and by the say that she will do it. If that woman their dead gather the wherewithal to Volcano House to Humuula! Surely can win one man, as she has, she can live. It is wonderful that anything that is a long stretch on horseback. It win one hundred. You watch her, s so long a stretch, that I seem in If you wish to sell REAL ESTATE, the close of each long day of riding, I cial train, one would have the ride go from heaven, and for the further fact horse, especially about the knees of country, crude, unformed, but of sur- found a small pig, cooked to a turn in me, and it becomes more and more passing richness. difficult for me to detach myself from met us with horses that had been sent pig without a shrinking feeling since the saddle. Otherwise, riding on horse- on in advance from Hilo and, before then. It is not conducive to self reback no longer makes me sore, and all taking us to his own place at Kapoho spect to reflect that you may be the the creases that I ever had in my liver for luncheon, rode down with us moving sepulchre of the first cousin or have been flattened out. I am abso- through a dense jungle to the wonder- the little brother of any pig you may

> ride to the summit of Mauna Kea, be- not a doubt of it. The pool, at the base supper Hawaiian. Even the tea was tween 7000 and 8000 feet above this of a small peak that is like what Dia- native, a kind of flower that grows in place, and in very plain view. If I mond Head would be if that had sugar the craters of Puna, and was excellent, come safely through that ride, there shaded by a dense growth of ohia and gathered at the house of the schoolwill be nothing left to do with horses. koa and lehua trees and guava bushes. master, on the lanal facing the sea For, unless the good red roan that I the sun glistening upon it through the and to low accompaniment sang softly have ridden, over from the Volcano leaves of these House shall put on wings, I do not see ceptibly higher temperature than the in Honolulu for Hawaiian music. Not how I am to get to the summit.

> and that was the first one I ever had covered usually by his clothes. That, chaos very closely, that I could call my own. I was not, in the small boy of Hawaii, is not Our party wanted to see helaus, to Lierefore inclined to be hypercritical much,

that is not yet far advanced in the might cut them. formative stage. Much, very much of the Island of Hawaii is like this. The land is so new that the raw edges are still upon it. In Puna, as in all the new parts, lava flow succeeds lava lands of Ewa, Oahu.

ABANDONED CANE.

that Henry Lyman, who lives down in take, and water to supply the Lyman Puna, has cane fields out of which he place is pumped from it. makes money. There are no surface The small boy told me that the lake

running again. The man was station strongly discouraged him in that. agent, postmaster, everything. Maybe out in the brush somewhere, and the get through the time-and wait. It was not a hard life. Some day the plantation would be operated again.

She seemed dashed when told that stones across a brook. it was the people, not the government. Like all else on Hawaii, the construcdeclared her purpose to begin at once his time.

and get ten men pledged to vote for KAMUELA, Hawaii, June 23, 1906.— no candidate who would not raise the ing the seed tubers in a little vegetable salaries of teachers, and I venture to mulch, and from beside the graves of

WONDERFUL WATER.

some way to have become indued with From Pahoa back to the main line horsey characteristics. I smell of horses, of the Puna railway, and so down to or my garments do. I talk horse, and the end of the road, is not a great dis-I dream of horses when I sleep—and, at When one is enjoying one's first spe- have no water but that which falls seem to be glued to the back of my a long way. The country is the Puna that there are no mosquitoes there.

ful warm spring of Waiwelawela. It is chance to meet in the road. Tomorrow I shall to horse again, and in all these beautiful islands. There is the home of the schoolmaster, and the

Hilo railway, in a special train for strange quality, it is said, that when a train. She has a voice.

The Kalapana schoolmaster. David

### THE GREEN LAKE. Afterwards, the small boy who had

bathed in the pool of Waiwelawela took me to the small crater of Kapoho and showed me the Green Lake. It is a up its jagged points to the sun and the to get in your box of water colors there. pahoehoe lying, smooth and shining as the shade you used to color the trees try, and the tree clad slopes about the lake make a pretty picture, therefore been abandoned. That some of it has ing. However, the Green Lake was rebeen taken in hand by Japs and Ha- lied upon, once on a time, to furnish Olaa Mill, making good profit. I know used to pump it still stands beside the

streams in Puna, and they do not irri- was supplied from seven never-failing gate the cane-but the rains are springs, that it had a mud bottom and abundant and generally dependable, that it was a bully place to go swimthe soil is rich and the cane of the ming when the engineer was not around to throw rocks at a fellow. Yet Puna has been virtually aban- Luncheon at the pleasant home of doned, as a plantation. Why? I do not the Lyman's was a most agreeable city. Just try one. Emma street near and does not want to raise cane so far to the family and the dogs, whom the from its mil:-nor to build another small boy differentiated as the "Arismili. It is said that it is intended as tocrat party" and the "Democrat a mere feeder for Olaa-and that, when party" because a number of beautiful hunas to keep natives from defiling the Olaa is put on a paying basis. Puna collies dwelt within the house and kept the Puna coast toward Kalapana, Mr. take it or leave it. The rock is there koa forests, great gray tree giants that will be rehabilitated. Concerning all the others without, we rode away along At Pahoa I found a white man and Lyman and the small boy accompany- at the bottom of the pool, and you can it would seem would appeal to all that a white woman, very pathetic of face, ing us for a considerable distance. In- go and see it. My only comment is is aesthetic in the minds of men for who lived but in the hope that, some deed the small boy, after the vagrant that a lady with two mouths should their preservation. They look like the day, good times would come back to manner of his kind, wanted to go al. have been changed to stone. A man white oaks of California, which owners Puna, and the plantation would be the way, but his unfeeling elders has a heavy enough handicap in deal- of lands now preserve so jealously. Yet

islands when he saw them.

HOUSES OF THE DEAD.

While the man had spoken, patiently, itations remain. A most wonderful presently be made. pathetically, the woman had gone away thing, seen for the first time on this from the station somewhere and comb- ride, were the remains of that old foot- From Wahaula, straight away across wherewith to see. And the Chief Fored her hair. That was all. But it was path of smooth stones, built for bare- the lava flows and past the wonderful ester says some trees must go to save the most pathetic touch. Then she had footed men to walk upon, which is said Six Craters that lie in a line below Ki- the rest. Even to trees, the old pass. come back and demanded, with shrill to wind in and out over the lava flows lauea, the trail runs to the forests that It is a long and winding trail over feminine aggressiveness, when the peo- all around the island of Hawail skirt the Volcano road. With one stop all the lava flows of Mauna Loa to the ple in authority at Honolulu were going Smaller stones are set up on either side here at the Pe-a goat ranch, whence moss-covered steppes of Humuula, to restore the pay of the public school to mark the path, which in places is they hunt wild goats in the lava' and which lies in the saddle between the teachers. She was a teacher, it appear- closely laid and in others, where the slaughter them for their hides, we rode two great peaks of Hawaii, and around ed, and her credentials entitled her to lava is roughest, is made up of great conward. The bowl of coffee that Mrs. about the hospitable house where Eben rocks placed at intervals, like stepping. The gave me saved my life, I think. Low and Samuel Parker, Jr., live their

the King of Kau once moved along this road through Puna with a vast army in three divisions. The first division, led division stark. And on a certain night in the year, whoever will venture at midnight between the old pathway and the sea, can behold the ghosts of the king's armies passing.

In this country of lava flows they build up graves over the a-a fields, roofing them with boards or thatch. because they can not dig places to deposit the bodies of their dead. From these small houses, perched beside the sea, the sleepers seem to keep sleepless vigil in a silent land. And the living, whose struggle still endures, plant should grow in such desolation, yet melons also thrive amazingly and trees everywhere sprout in the lava cracks.

Kalapana is a native town by the se-At the end of the road Henry Lyman | that I have not been able to look at a

the most marvelously beautiful place | The Kalapana entertainment was at cane growing to its very summit, lies After supper the native boys and girls The waters, not steaming but of per- was not the loud twanging that passes air, by some strange law of refraction at all. It was clear, true and beauti-But I had meant to start this letter are shot through with dazziing gleams fully cadenced-and even when the from Hilo, not from this place at which of a blue that is like the blue depths of words were English, as in some of the I arrived last night, and now not blue. They are of rather reddish English of the native. And that is not I must go back and begin all over cast, where they are not covered with like the English you and I know. Also, again. I left Hilo, through the cour- lichen and green moss. The blue is in there is at Kalapana a little girl whom tesy of Superintendent Metzger of the the water itself, and that water has the Kapellmeister Berger should hear and

Puna. Mr. Metzger apologized for the for the moment. I saw the Secretary Kaloi, rode with us from his own place equipment but, as a matter of fact, it of the Territory and a small, sun- and out across more of the lava flows Nicely-furnished Cottage, situate on seemed to leave nothing to be desired, tanned boy in the pool. The Secretary of Puna. Surely, with craters and the It is true that I am not a judge of appeared chaik white under the water, black vomit of them, there is no land and the small boy was belted with like Puna in all the world. It seems special trains. I have ridden in few, white on those portions of his body not that man here, civilized man, touches

the end that steps might be taken for thousands so Lyman's their preservation, and David was a our coffee a party of stalwart native small patch of snow gleaming like a to me that an ergine and a clean and guidance, we climbed through the good guide. He knows every temple men and boys, on mules and on foot, white diamond on the lofty crest of comfortable coach, speeding over a growing sugar cane to the top of the in all that region, and many of the were starting away for an afternoon Mauna Loa, the largest single mountrack cleared for it to run as it pleased, hill, where half a dozen cocoanut trees legends of them-or, if he makes up the drive. stand sentry within what was once the legends, they are all good ones. Very At all events, it suited me. The run enclosure of the helau of Kukii. The good, for instance, was the tale he told down through Olaa and the fields of structure is almost gone, but this old us standing on the brink of the Pool of er branch of the railway into Puna, that it seems to have been constructed backward into the lava field from the Modern science, however, has dis- was made very quickly. The road runs, of enormous hewn stones, cut as sea, hard by the ruins of the temple of lon, with strong, shrewd, kindly face, stones, small but with walls very regu-

"That round rock in the bottom of the pool is the goddess Punaluu," said David. "She was turned to stone for her wickedness, but once a year she is flow, from the mountain to the sea. snowed me the Green Lake. It is a slowed to resume the form of a beau-Some of the flows are old, grown thick little pond, covering perhaps fifteen slowed to resume the form of a beauwith tree fern and lauhala and lehua acres, of water which has precisely the tiful woman and comes out of the pool same snade of muddy green you used and sits combing her hair on that rock

### TALE OF A GODDESS.

"The tale goes that Punaluu was a are pockets of rich soil, in which sugar in the pictures in your school geogra- woman with two mouths, one of them Then he kicked the fish and, after cane attains perfections hardly exceed- phy! It is remarkable that the pool in the middle of her back. She lived ed in the rich and highly cultivated should be there; in a wateriess councome to bathe in the old days, and used. "The pain was so great that I alto watch to see them coming. Then most died," said Kauhi, "but I reache? the Green Lake is worth while. But she would slip down ahead of them, get shore and my sister put on native They say that much of this cane has the place itself is something disappoint- into the pool first, change herself into medicines and helped me to live. I a shark and, hiding in a cave below rould not get a haole doctor. It was a the rocks, dash out and devour the kahuna shark." waiians, who cultivate it and sell it to water to Puna plantation. The engine bathers. The kahunas suspected her, and by watching caught her. Then with his mules and his independence, they changed her into that rock.

The rock in question is a phallic leads to Humuula sheep station. image, undoubtedly, and it may be that it to me, at all events, and you can trail. In the beginning there were the

he had 50 bags of awa root stored in great sameness in that ride along the short but very hard ride across the pany preparing to destroy these trees. the station for shipment to Ne 7 York Puna coast. The green seas break up- lava to the helau of Wahaula, one of The trees, on the Bishop estate, are and Germany. A little later, it might on the rocky shores, sending their white the largest in the islands. Its rude lava being cut, it is said, scientifically. be in a day or two, or a week or two, spray high in air, and at frequent in- walls are falling fast, helped not a lit- under the authorization of the Chief he would ship this. Then a mail came tervals groups of cocoanut trees mark the by natives who have a yarn that a Forester, The Chief Forester, it is to and went twice a week. There was where native villages stood in the long man buried \$2000 in gold somewhere be presumed, knows his trade. Also nothing else, and his wife and him- ago. The whole shore line, in fact, is about here and died before he had an I suppose that from the strictly utilifringed with these trees-and, riding opportunity to tell his wife where the tarian standpoint, the lumber should were some Japs, and a few Hawaiians through them, I can understand how money was hidden. Enough remains, not be allowed to go to waste, to fall Vancouver was led into his estimate however, to give a fair idea of the and lie rotting on the ground, as it that there were 400,000 souls in these place, and to make restoration com- does when the trees fall. Still, it is paratively easy-and that is a work a great pity to cut the trees-a very which should be undertaken without great pity. And I would deem that delay. In fact, I have reason to know there be better things in the contem-The natives are gone, now, for the delay. In fact, I have reason to know plation of wonderful natural beauty

### THE PUNA TRAIL.

It was strong and generous, the coffee lives and make welcome all who come

who must restore the salaries, and that tion of this way is credited to Kameha- had eighty goats in a stone corral here, -grassed uplands, parked with spreadshe must make her own fight with the meha the Great, who is said to have driven up for slaughter for their pelts, ing trees, that slope away to the outvoters in the legislative election. But used it as a military road. It is prob- and it was a remarkable thing to see lying spurs of Mauna Kea. It is, inshe was only dashed for a moment. She able, however, that it long antedates in some of the wildest of these unmistakable traces of Angora blood. Aristo- in these islands, with a cool and brac- call us up. Tel., Main 109.



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A little way along the road we met

a solitary native with a pack train, a down through Olaa and the fields of structure is almost gone, but this old us standing on the brink of the Pool of Puna to Pahoa at the end of the short- temple is remarkable from the fact Punaluu, a bit of sepage water sent has son at Kalapana. This man, Kauhi Punaluu, a bit of sepage water sent has kward into the laya field from the laya fiel by name, was of very light complexcovered that the addition of oxide for a long distance, through a country smoothly as a modern stone mason Punaluu, which was a structure of cut and with two gnarled stumps where his hands should have been, standing beside the trail, where he had picketed his animals for the night halt. He told a young man of twenty-three, he had been fishing in a canoe off Kaimoo. a monster shark with his bare hands. Once he struck at the fish with his right hand, and the shark bit off that hand. Twice he struck with his left hand, and the shark bit off that hand.

We left that strong old man there and rode away to the cheer of the "But it is said that if a tidal wave Volcano House. That is familiar and or an eruption or any great calamity most pleasant ground, the point where impends, she comes out and sits comb- civilization touches the lava wildering her hair on the rock. She always ness. They told us that Kilauea was comes in daylight, even at her annual not active, so we did not go down to appearances, the hour being noon. I the crater. But we dined sumptuously, have tried to raise the rock which is and Eben Low met us with strong the goddess from the pool, but it is horses and, after we had slept, we started out upon the long trail that

WONDERFUL KOA TREES

pool. I have given it as Daniel gave ride over that long 35 miles of winding ing with a lady who has only one. in these forests we found the prelim-Lava field after lava field, there is a From Punaluu temple and pool is a linary workers of the Koa Lumber Com-

dends. But I own no sawmills, and

crats of the lava beds, surely. They ing atmosphere that sets the blood of said that they drove in the goats in a man to singing. And, from the door etimes, and as we drank of the house as I write, I can



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